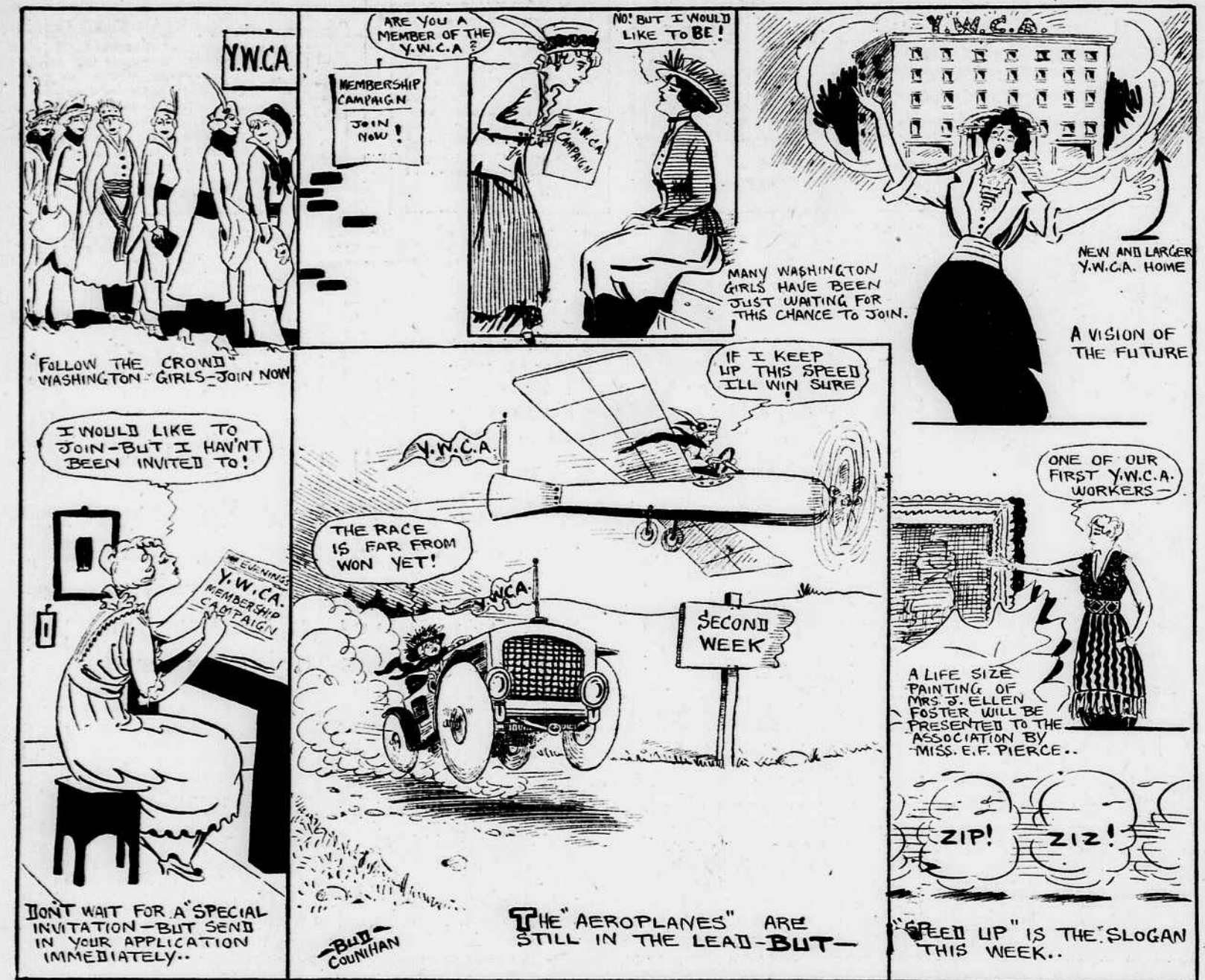


"AUTOMOBILES AND AEROPLANES" OF THE Y. W. C. A. SPEEDING UP IN RACE FOR NEW MEMBERS.



MEMBERSHIP OF Y.W.C.A. IS LARGELY INCREASED

Total of 398 Added to Rosters Since Campaign by Teams Began.

Bringing in eighty-four new members today, the teams in the membership campaign of the Young Women's Christian Association raised the total number of those brought in during the campaign to 398 members. Final reports of new members must be made to Miss Ruth H. Olmsted, secretary of the membership committee, not later than 6 o'clock tomorrow evening, at which time the campaign rolls are to be formally closed.

Reports Made Today.

Following is the detailed report for today:

Aeroplanes—Division A. Miss Susan R. Cutts, commodore, thirty; division B. Mrs. Fannie MacAllister, commodore, twenty-six; division C. Miss Estelle Foster, commodore, seven.

Automobiles—Division A. Mrs. T. H. Mitchell, general, four; division B. Miss Ellen Love, general, eleven; division C. Miss Ida Johnson, general, six.

Of the members enrolled today the "aeroplanes" brought in sixty-three and the "automobiles" brought in thirty-five. The respective scores of those two groups for the entire campaign so far 271 and 127.

Program of Friendship Clubs.

At 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon the Council of Friendship Clubs is to be held under the direction of Miss Anna G. Searight, educational secretary. These clubs are composed of girls representing all of the five white high schools and have as their aim "to give social service, Christian ideals of womanhood and democracy." One of the features of the entertainment prepared is to be a "etiquette match" in which the positive and negative rules of etiquette are to be given out as in the old-time spelling matches.

Prisoner-Soldiers to Get Mail.

A central bureau has been established in Vienna by Austria-Hungary by means of which money and letters may be forwarded to Austro-Hungarian soldiers taken prisoner and held in enemy countries. This bureau, it was stated, will undertake to locate and forward communications to all persons addressed care of the "Gemeinsame Zentralbureau, Österreich, Auslandsstelle, F. u. K. Kriegsfangene, Passaustrasse 11, No. 6, Vienna, Austria-Hungary."

CREAM FOR CATARRH OPENS UP NOSTRILS

Tells How to Get Quick Relief from Head-Colds. It's Splendid!

In one minute your clogged nostrils will open, the air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more yawning, sniffling, blowing, head-ache, dryness. No struggling for breath at night; your cold or catarrh will be gone.

Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist now. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage of the head, soothes the inflamed or swollen mucous membrane and relief comes instantly.

It's just fine. Don't stay stuffed-up with a cold or nasty catarrh—relief comes so quickly.

DOWNTOWN MERCHANTS RENEW P. O. PETITION

Committee Tells Roper Sufficient Time Has Elapsed to Show Need of Better Service.

First Assistant Postmaster General Promises Ample Facilities in Vicinity of Old City Office.

That the suggestions submitted in the recent petition for the re-establishment of post office facilities in the Post Office Department building, 11th street and Pennsylvania avenue, signed by many merchants of the downtown section, will be given careful consideration and that the efficient and satisfactory postal service very properly demanded will be guaranteed, is the statement of Daniel C. Roper, first assistant postmaster general.

Mr. Roper's promise is contained in a letter received by Leidor Grosner, chairman of the committee on postal facilities, which procured the signatures of practically all the business firms in the section from 6th to 15th and from B to F streets northwest. The executive committee of this body received Mr. Roper's communication at a meeting held yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Roper's Position.

"The postmaster," said Mr. Roper, in part, "is now earnestly endeavoring to work out certain changes in methods and practices which, in his opinion, will not injure or in any way lessen the efficiency of the postal service; but, on the contrary, result in more satisfactory service for this section of the city."

"It is only natural that the postmaster and the department should desire to give effect to the suggestions of the citizens of this section, which you have made, the department will open up the case for further consideration, with a view to, as stated above, guaranteeing you the service which you very properly request and require."

"In the meantime the department earnestly solicits your continued interest and hearty co-operation in maintaining the effective postal service toward which you and the department jointly look, and which we are endeavoring to bring about."

Thinks Try-Out Shows Need.

The first assistant postmaster general was today handed a communication, signed by Chairman Grosner, informing him that it was the sense of the committee that a reasonable period for the try-out of the present system of postal facilities in the section referred to has already elapsed; also that this was also the sentiment of the signers of the petition.

"We are pleased to note the open-mindedness of the department in the premises," and "and that on further reflection the department will agree with those doing business in the section from which the petition emanated."

"You do not indicate in your letter," continues the document, "a time when the Post Office Department will be willing to consider a change to the system, and we respectfully ask that you act such a time so that we can make a satisfactory report to those whose interests we represent."

Request of Petitioners.

The merchants desire the re-establishment at the post office building of sufficient stamp windows, registry offices, money order offices, lock boxes, parcel post facilities, and means for the handling of permit mail. Re-establishment of a general delivery service also is urged strongly.

Other members of the committee on details are Lem Towers, Jr., E. A. Harris, Louis Jacobs, Charles Muncester and Karl Brodt.

GRIEVES WITH BERNHARDT.

Queen Mother Alexandra of England Telegraphs Sympathy.

BORDEAUX, via Paris, February 26.—A message of sympathy has been received by Sarah Bernhardt from the Queen Mother, Alexandra, of Great Britain, who telegraphed:

"I have learned with the deepest regret of the misfortune which has stricken you and feel the sincerest sympathy for you in your suffering, a sympathy which all England shares for the greatest artist in the world."

ROMANIA AND SERBIA WARMLY GREET GEN. PAU

Army Officer Evidently Employed by France on Special Missions.

LONDON, February 26.—Two news agency dispatches received in London from southeastern Europe describe the warmth of the receptions lately given Gen. Paul Pau of the French army in Roumania and in Serbia.

Gen. Pau recently has been in Russia and it is evident that he is being employed by the French government on special missions. A dispatch from Bucharest, Roumania, says he was given a hearty welcome upon his arrival and that he made himself popular in the capital.

Ovation in Nish, Serbia.

A message from Nish, Serbia, says Gen. Pau came there from Roumania. At the station the French commander was welcomed by Premier Pachitch, the Serbian minister of war, and other members of the cabinet. As he drove to the French legation he received an ovation from the crowds which lined the streets.

A third dispatch, from Sofia, Bulgaria, says Gen. Pau's trip through Roumania was expected to stimulate feeling in that country in favor of the entente powers—Great Britain, Russia and France—in spite of the fact that the political situation in Roumania is still very uncertain.

Senator Urges War.

Senator Dobresco has made a speech in the Roumanian senate urging the abandonment of his country's neutrality. The senator declared that only by such a course could the aspirations of the Roumanian people be realized. A representative of the cabinet replied that the government was fully conscious of its responsibility and appealed for the support of all parties.

JAPAN MODIFIES DEMANDS.

China Agrees to Discuss Twelve Propositions Only.

PEKING, China, February 26.—The outlook for an adjustment of the differences which have arisen between China and Japan has improved distinctly. The conferences between representatives of the two nations apparently are progressing toward a compromise.

The Japanese government has given indications, which are regarded as definite, that it will not insist for the present upon the group of general demands which it presented. These include the chief points upon which China based her resistance to the representations from Tokyo.

The first of the left for consideration only the twelve demands which China already has agreed to discuss, concerning which it is felt that a compromise will be reached.

Court for Small Claims.

CHICAGO, February 26.—A small claims court in which a creditor without means to employ counsel may bring his debtors to account has been created as a branch of the municipal court. The presiding judge will act chiefly as a referee, and the court is expected to provide an opportunity for a creditor to collect small claims which, under former conditions, would have been consumed in attorney's fees and court charges.

John Chipman Dies at Age of 75.

BOSTON, February 26.—John Chipman, a leading authority on the law of real property, has died after a brief illness at the age of seventy-five years. He was president of the Harvard Alumni Association and royal professor at the Harvard Law School. He was born at Mexico, N. Y., in 1841.

Four Killed, Ten Hurt, in Ice Rush.

LISBON, N. H., February 26.—Four men were killed and ten others badly injured in a rush of ice and water in the Ammonoosuc river yesterday. The accident occurred while a wrecking crew was trying to remove ice from the flooded track of the Boston and Maine railroad in the meadows a mile above this town.

William H. Baker Dead.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., February 26.—William H. Baker, cocoa and chocolate manufacturer, has died at his home here after a nine-month illness. He was born at Mexico, N. Y., in 1851.

HOLD CONVENTION HERE MONDAY AND TUESDAY

Many Prominent Workers Are Expected at Civil Service Meeting.

Representatives of more than 200,000 civil service employees are expected to attend the third annual convention of the National Association of Civil Service Employees to be held in the Elks Hall, 215 H street northwest, Monday and Tuesday.

The association has 250 branches, located in 250 cities throughout the United States, including in its membership many of the most prominent workers in the public service.

At the opening session of the convention Monday the invocation is to be delivered by Rev. C. Everett Granger, pastor of Gunton-Temple Memorial Presbyterian Church. Commissioner Brownlow is to welcome the delegates in behalf of the National Capital, and P. T. Moran, president of the Chamber of Commerce, is also to speak.

Directorate Meets Sunday.

A meeting of the board of directors of the association is to be held at the headquarters in The Evening Star building Sunday evening. Officers of the association are: President, Andrew W. McKen, New York; first vice president, Charles W. Lahr, Newport, Pa.; second vice president, George S. Boehme, Cincinnati; third vice president, William H. Tripp, West Point, N. Y.; fourth vice president, Frederic Ar. Delle Downey, New York; secretary, John J. Deviny, Washington, D. C.; treasurer, L. E. Swartz, Chicago. The members of the executive committee are: George T. Morgan, chairman, Philadelphia; L. N. Brockway, Clinton, N. Y.; George J. Kleffner, Omaha, Neb.; R. C. Keenan, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Charles Wiegand, Baltimore, Md.; J. D. Holland, Boston, Mass.; Louis Mareks, St. Louis, Mo.

Idaho Senate for Prohibition.

BOISE, Idaho, February 26.—The senate of the Idaho legislature passed yesterday the state-wide prohibition bill which makes the manufacture, sale and transportation for sale of intoxicating liquors unlawful after January 1, 1916. The vote in the senate was 25 to 6 in favor of the bill. Gov. Alexander has announced that he will sign the measure.

Helgoland was at one time the Greta Green of north Europe.

SAYS POLITICIANS GOT L. & N. MONEY

Interstate Commerce Commission Files Report With Senate Revealing "Slush Fund."

Senators and representatives were studying today the disclosures by the interstate commerce commission in connection with its inquiry into the affairs of Louisville and Nashville and allied railroads. The commission in its report to the senate, submitted yesterday, in response to a resolution of that body, alleged that the Louisville and Nashville acquired competing lines and that it conducted at an expenditure of millions of dollars an elaborate political and publicity campaign to eliminate competition and influence public opinion. Large sums were paid to public officers, it is stated. Some of them still hold office.

The commission pointed out the need of further investigation, together with an inspection of the railroad's correspondence to the senate, submitted yesterday, in response to a resolution of that body, alleged that the Louisville and Nashville acquired competing lines and that it conducted at an expenditure of millions of dollars an elaborate political and publicity campaign to eliminate competition and influence public opinion. Large sums were paid to public officers, it is stated. Some of them still hold office.

Money Paid Public Officers.

The investigation was authorized last spring by a Senate resolution introduced by Senator Lea of Tennessee. The recital of the alleged political activities of the roads concerned was accompanied by little comment. The commission announces its inability to set forth all the money which the carriers have expended in political and publicity work, but the items its investigators discovered and which were shown in the report under the head of political contributions ran up into the millions.

Large payments, the report stated, referring specifically in this instance to certain activities of the Tennessee Railroad Association, "were to a large extent made to state officials and legislators of Tennessee, municipal officers of Nashville, politicians, lobbyists and attorneys."

Investigation showed that payments made by the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis in this connection, aggregating over \$200,000, could be definitely assigned to persons still holding office and was no doubt in excess of this sum.

Prosecution Suggested.

After citing numerous instances of

large cash payments made to various agencies, state and municipal officials, etc., the report stated that "under the accounting rules prescribed by the commission, the keeping of such vague accounts at the present time would subject the carrier to prosecution."

"For above reasons," continues the report, "it could not be determined what the purpose of all these large unexplained expenditures was. It seems clear, however, that for some reason the officials who were responsible for these entries deemed it expedient to conceal not only in the original entries, but from those engaged in this investigation, the real purpose for which these expenditures were made."

Bill to Amend Law.

Senator Newlands introduced a bill today to empower the interstate commerce commission to examine all papers of a common carrier, including correspondence. It would amend the law to meet the United States Supreme court's decision that the commission did not have power to inspect the correspondence of the Louisville and Nashville.

ARGUMENTS ARE CONTINUED.

Frank Case Is Resumed Before the Supreme Court.

Arguments before the Supreme Court on the right of Leo M. Frank, convicted of the murder of Mary Phagan, the Atlanta, Ga., factory girl, to release from custody on a writ of habeas corpus were continued today. Louis Marshall of New York continued his argument for Frank, begun yesterday, while Attorney General Grice and Solicitor General Dorsey of Georgia were ready to present reasons why the release should not be ordered.

The contention of the attorneys revolved around whether the trial court had lost jurisdiction over the prisoner either by "mob violence" manifested throughout the trial, or by Frank's abrupt return to his verdict. Other points concerned questions as to whether the writ of habeas corpus was the proper remedy in view of all that had taken place in the case.

JOBS OPEN FOR THIRTY.

Commissioners Offer Employment at Breaking Stones for Roads.

In an effort to give employment to unemployed labor in the District of Columbia as far as they are able to do it at the present time, the Commissioners today announced they can furnish employment for about thirty men to break up old concrete and stone for use as road material. This old concrete and stone is located on M street and James Creek canal.

Application for the work should be made to room 428 of the District building. Pay for the work will be at the rate of 30 cents a cubic yard, which will enable those employed to earn about \$1 a day. Hammers to break the stone must be furnished by the laborers.

Philadelphia has three woman blacksmiths.

Two Advance Spring Specials in Men's Clothing

You have very positive demonstration here of the advantages that come out of our service. In fact, the price in each of these instances is remarkably low. But we want to put more emphasis on the character of the modeling and the quality of fabric and tailorship. They are what count; they are what make Saks Clothes superior.

Oxford Gray Two-button Sack Suits; with narrow braiding; soft roll; collared vest; snug cut coat and shapely trousers. We're going some when we mark them only

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Boys' All-wool Blue Serge and Fancy Cheviot (spring weight) Suits—plaids and checks—Bulgarian Norfolds with belt all around and small plaits to waist; also Bulgarians with plaited back and patch pockets. Some with one; others with two pairs of pants. All sizes from 7 to 18 years. **\$5.00**

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We say "Saturday" because the quantities will hardly last longer. They are all big values—extra big values.

\$1 Domet Night Robes.....69c
Cut long and full; good colors. All sizes.

50c Athletic Underwear.....35c
Woven Madras Shirts and Drawers; strictly athletic cut. All sizes.

25c to 50c Irish Linen Handkerchiefs.....17c
Pure linen; full size; and all widths of hem.

\$1.00 Neglige Shirts.....45c
Only about 22 dozen of them—soft cuffs; good patterns.

\$1.50 to \$2.50 Gotham Shirts....95c
Soft and laundered cuffs; plain and plaited bosoms; exclusive patterns. All sizes 14 to 17.

Last Day of the Introductory Shoe Sale

Twelve styles intended for this sale didn't get here until today. They're contemporaneous values—and representative styles—but because they were late we shall make the price still lower—

\$3, \$3.50 and \$4 Grades

\$1.55

Patent, Gun Metal and Satin Colonial—ornamented with buckles and buttons—Cuban, Spanish, Louis and Low Heels. All sizes.

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RECIPE

Savory Stew Cut 3 lb. cold beef, veal or mutton into fairly thick slices. Mix together 1 tablespoon flour, 1 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Dip each slice of meat in seasoned flour. Cut 3 slices cooked ham in thin dice. Mix 4 tablespoons dripping, add beef and ham, brown them lightly and remove from pan. Peel and slice 3 Spanish onions, fry them in the fat, then drain and keep hot. Sprinkle 2 tablespoons flour into pan and brown it, add 1 cup water, 1 teaspoon mustard, salt to taste and 1/4 cup capers. Add 2 sliced tomatoes, 1 teaspoon mixed herbs, 2 tablespoons ketchup and 1/4 cup vinegar. Bring to boiling point, put in meat and let it heat through slowly 30 minutes. Arrange meat on hot dish, pile onions on top, and strain over the gravy.

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